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## Senator Barrow Peacock Named Legislator of the Year By Louisiana State Troopers Association

District 37 State Senator Barrow Peacock is the 2017 Louisiana State Troopers Association (LSTA) Legislator of the Year. The association honored Sen. Peacock at its annual convention, the second consecutive year that the senator was recognized for his efforts on behalf of the troopers.

In the 2017 regular legislative session, Peacock authored legislation that provided for the survivors of troopers killed in the line of duty. Specifically, his legislation increased the retirement payments to the surviving spouses of those officers who are killed by an "intentional act of violence" while in the performance of their duties.

Peacock, who serves as chairman of the Senate Retirement Committee, recognized the high-risk nature of their duties as troopers and wished to ensure that the survivors of those troopers killed by an intentional act of violence be provided every benefit available to them and their families. As LSTA President Jay O'Quinn noted, "Without the input and oversight of Senator Peacock, Senate Bill 7 would have found a much more difficult route to passage. The LSTA and the Louisiana State Police are very grateful to the senator for his efforts on our behalf."

Peacock was also recognized in 2016 for his efforts to obtain a cost of living adjustment (COLA) to benefit Louisiana State Police retirees.

The senator was honored at the annual LSTA convention that was held in New Orleans at the end of July of this year. He will again be recognized at a dinner in his honor in his home district later this week.